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House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 9 public bills, H.R. 5737–5745; and 2 resolutions, H. Res. 759–760, were introduced. **Page H8132**

Additional Cosponsors: **Page H8133**

Report Filed: A report was filed today as follows:

H.R. 2689, to amend the National Energy Conservation Policy Act to encourage the increased use of performance contracting in Federal facilities, with an amendment (H. Rept. 113–627). **Page H8132**

Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Black to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H8073**

Recess: The House recessed at 10:33 a.m. and reconvened at 12 noon. **Page H8076**

Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

John F. Kennedy Center Reauthorization Act of 2014: H.R. 5448, to amend the John F. Kennedy Center Act to authorize appropriations for the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts; **Pages H8080–81**

STELA Reauthorization Act of 2014: H.R. 5728, to amend the Communications Act of 1934 and title 17, United States Code, to extend expiring provisions relating to the retransmission of signals of television broadcast stations; **Page H8081–87**

Providing for the approval of the Amendment to an Agreement for Cooperation on the Uses of Atomic Energy for Mutual Defense Purposes: H.R. 5681, to provide for the approval of the Amendment to the Agreement Between the Government of the United States of America and the Government of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland for Cooperation on the Uses of Atomic Energy for Mutual Defense Purposes; **Pages H8103–04**

Girls Count Act: H.R. 3398, amended, to authorize the Secretary of State and the Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development to provide assistance to support the rights of women and girls in developing countries, and for other purposes; **Pages H8104–06**

Condemning the Government of Iran for its gross human rights violations: H. Res. 754, to condemn the Government of Iran for its gross human rights violations; and **Pages H8106–10**

Malala Yousafzai Scholarship Act: H.R. 3583, amended, to expand the number of scholarships available to Pakistani women under the Merit and Needs-Based Scholarship Program. **Pages H8110–13**

Secret Science Reform Act of 2014: The House passed H.R. 4012, to prohibit the Environmental Protection Agency from proposing, finalizing, or disseminating regulations or assessments based upon science that is not transparent or reproducible, by a recorded vote of 237 ayes to 190 noes, Roll No. 528. **Pages H8087–H8103**

Rejected the Eddie Bernice Johnson (TX) motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on Science, Space, and Technology with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment by a recorded vote of 196 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 527. **Pages H8100–02**

Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 113–57 shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment under the five-minute rule. **Page H8097**

Agreed to:

Gosar amendment (No. 1 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–626) that mandates that the EPA make all scientific and technical information relied upon for rulemaking available online before proposing or finalizing new regulations. **Pages H8097–98**

Rejected:

Kennedy amendment (No. 2 printed in part B of H. Rept. 113–626) that would have allowed the EPA to use all peer-reviewed scientific publications (by a recorded vote of 194 ayes to 230 noes, Roll No. 526). **Pages H8098–H8100**

H. Res. 756, the rule providing for consideration of the bills (H.R. 1422), (H.R. 4012), and (H.R. 4795), was agreed to yesterday, November 18.

Meeting Hour: Agreed by unanimous consent that when the House adjourns today, it adjourn to meet at 9 a.m. tomorrow, November 20. **Page H8113**

Quorum Calls—Votes: Three recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H8100, H8101–02, and H8102–03. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Committee Meetings

RELIGIOUS ACCOMMODATIONS IN THE ARMED SERVICES

Committee on Armed Services: Subcommittee on Military Personnel held a hearing entitled “Religious Accommodations in the Armed Services”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING MEDICAL PRODUCT DEVELOPMENT IN THE WAKE OF THE EBOLA EPIDEMIC

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Health held a hearing entitled “Examining Medical Product Development in the Wake of the Ebola Epidemic”. Testimony was heard from Robin Robinson, Director, BARDA, Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response; Luciana Borio, Assistant Commissioner, Counterterrorism Policy, Food and Drug Administration; Rear Admiral Steve Redd, Senior Advisor for Ebola Response, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention; and Anthony Fauci, Director, National Institute for Allergy and Infectious Diseases, National Institutes of Health.

CYANOTOXINS IN DRINKING WATER

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Subcommittee on Environment and the Economy held a hearing entitled “Cyanotoxins in Drinking Water”. Testimony was heard from Craig W. Butler, Director, Ohio Environmental Protection Agency; Peter Grevatt, Director, Office of Ground Water and Drinking Water, Environmental Protection Agency; and public witnesses.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR A PRIVATE AND COMPETITIVE SUSTAINABLE FLOOD INSURANCE MARKET

Committee on Financial Services: Subcommittee on Housing and Insurance held a hearing entitled “Opportunities for a Private and Competitive Sustainable Flood Insurance Market”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURE

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a markup on H.R. 5648, to improve defense cooperation between the United States and the Hashemite Kingdom of

Jordan. H.R. 5648 was forwarded to the Full Committee, without amendment.

NEXT STEPS FOR U.S. FOREIGN POLICY ON SYRIA AND IRAQ

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on the Middle East and North Africa held a hearing entitled “Next Steps for U.S. Foreign Policy on Syria and Iraq”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

OVERSIGHT OF THE UNITED STATES SECRET SERVICE

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of the United States Secret Service”. Testimony was heard from Joseph P. Clancy, Acting Director, Secret Service. A portion of this hearing was closed.

COPYRIGHT ISSUES IN EDUCATION AND FOR THE VISUALLY IMPAIRED

Committee on the Judiciary: Subcommittee on Courts, Intellectual Property, and the Internet held a hearing entitled “Copyright Issues in Education and for the Visually Impaired”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a markup on the following legislative measures: H.R. 1561, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to make improvements to support facilities for National Historic Sites operated by the National Park Service, and for other purposes; H.R. 1785, the “Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage Area Act”; H.R. 4220, the “School District 318 Land Exchange Act”; H.R. 4668, the “Point Spencer Coast Guard and Public-Private Sector Infrastructure Development Facilitation and Land Conveyance Act”; H.R. 4924, the “Bill Williams River Water Rights Settlement Act of 2014”; H.R. 4979, the “Red River Private Property Protection Act”; H.R. 5086, to amend the National Trails System Act to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study on the feasibility of designating the Chief Standing Bear National Historic Trail, and for other purposes; H.R. 5176, to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to retire coal preference right lease applications for which the Secretary has made an affirmative commercial quantities determination, and for other purposes; and H.R. 5699, the “John Muir National Historic Site Expansion Act”. The following legislation was ordered reported, without amendment: H.R. 1561, H.R. 4220, H.R. 4668, H.R. 5086, and H.R. 5176. The following legislation was ordered reported, as amended: H.R. 1785, H.R. 4924, H.R. 4979, and H.R. 5699.